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I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS

Education

Reinstatement of school assistants and deputy inspectors retrenched after August 1931.

* 669 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of school assistants and of deputy inspectors retrenched after August 1931; and

(*b*) whether the Government propose to reinstate the school assistants and deputy inspectors who were in the combined cadre on 15th August 1931 and were subsequently retrenched?

A.—(*a*) 46.

(*b*) Ten officers have been re-employed, the others also will be re-employed as vacancies occur.

Public Works

Charts in Urdu containing instructions to be observed in case of fire.

* 670 *Q.*—S. M. K. Beyabani Sahib Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that every Government Officer or institution is supplied with charts containing rules to be observed when fire breaks out;

(*b*) in what languages the above charts are printed; and

(*c*) whether charts in Urdu are also kept for the benefit of Urdu-knowing persons?

A.—(*a*) Every public building is supplied with a printed set of the rules.

(*b*) They are printed in diglott in English-Tamil, English-Telugu, English-Malayalam, English-Kanarese and English-Oriya.

(*c*) No.

Military

Inscription on the War Memorial erected on the Beach Road, Madras.

* 671 *Q.*—Subadar-Major S. A. Nanjappa Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Member for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the expenditure incurred by the Government is to build the War Memorial newly constructed between the Fort and the Iron Bridge on the Beach Road, which was unveiled by His Excellency the Governor on the 11th November 1933;

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(*b*) what the Madrasi Regiments are that took part in the Great War of 1914–18;

(*c*) what their strength was and what the number of their casualties in the Great War was; and

(*d*) why have not the names of all the Madrasi Regiments that took part in the Great War been inscribed thereon?

A.—(*a*) The Memorial was erected by the Victory Memorial Committee, Madras, out of subscriptions raised from the public. No expenditure was incurred by the Government on the construction of the Memorial, but the site required for the Memorial was alienated in favour of the Committee free of charge for the occupancy right and free of ground-rent.

(*b*), (*c*) & (*d*) The Government have no information. The hon. Member may address the Honorary Secretary, Victory Memorial Committee, Madras, direct for any information required.

Irrigation

Provision of a roadway or causeway over the Sangam anicut in Nellore district.

* 672 *Q.*—The KUMARARAJA OF VENKATAGIRI: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) what became of the proposal to put up a roadway or causeway over the Sangam anicut in Nellore district by widening the anicut; and

(*b*) whether it will be taken up along with the question of putting up falling shutters?

A.—(*a*) No such proposal is under the consideration of the Government.

(*b*) The question is one to be raised by the district board, but it can be taken up, if desired, independently of the question of putting up falling shutters.

Land Revenue Administration

Destruction of paddy crops in the Kistna district by floods.

* 673 *Q.*—Rao Sahib C. KOLANDA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether in his recent tour in the Kistna district his attention was drawn to the havoc caused to paddy in about fifty villages of Gudivada, Kaikaluru, and Gannavaram taluks by unprecedented floods in the Budameru?

A.—The Hon. Member for Revenue was informed that damage had been done in certain areas to paddy by floods in the Budameru.